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"" 3—3d "Wimberley's Mill.

" 4—4th Sat. Dripping Springs.

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Johnson, D. A. Glover, Ed. J. L. Green, P. J. C.
Smith. Dan Hotheinz and Hoger Byrne.

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T. BROWN, Office over Green's Bank,

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The Valley of Rest. There's a beautiful valley beyond earth's din, Where sorrow ne, er troubles, where cometh Where no storm-tossed billows e'er sweer

o'er its breast, The beautiful valley, the valley of rest. There are times as the sunset skies unfold, Their glittering seas of crimson and gold, Beyond the bright glow we catch just

Of glories that on its fair shores ever beam. And sometimes we enter that realm in our you may be quite sure that at least dreams And stray through its meadows and by its

clear streams Whose motionless waves sleep on the green strand. That shuts earth's sorrows from the mys tical land.

All flowers that faded 'neath winter's chill blight, In songs that the angels up there ever sing.

And there in its midst most fair to behold, God's glory encircling the city of gold; The Beloved leads on through gardens bright, The redeemed ones of earth, all robed in

Oh when shall I enter that valley of rest, And clasp my lost joys once again to my don't think they are meant to be. And find all the hopes that have fled from me here, And grasp the warm hands of the friends that are dear.

Oh valley of brightness, let just a faint ray Of thy glory steal down and light the dark way; Let fall but an echo from songs of the blest, calling me noward to home and to

Oh valley of blessing, just here at the gate unfold,
And bid me to enter thy city of gold. San Marcos. LIZZIE S. LEAVELL.

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Patents granted to citizens of Texas dur-

W. J. Cloud, Junction City, warning-strip for wire fences. F. B. Gilbert, Jefferson, bill or paper file. D. Hess, Henderson, cotton cleaner and cars are dirty, shops dingy and un-

oner and spark arrester.

The New Prize Story is eagerly sought for, read with pleasure or with the amiability supposed to be disappointment, is then tossed aside and characteristic of his class, "but those forgetten. But ladies who read of Dr. Pierce's Favorite Preser piloure id it again, things will all come right, and then functional derangements or any of the painful disorders or weakness peculiar to their sex. Periodical pains, internal inflamma your argument to-gether. (A very tion and ulceration, readily yield to its won- apropos sneeze right here warned derful curative and healing powers. It is the only medicine for w men, sold by derggists, under a positive guarantee from the manufacturers, that it will give satisfaction Having wrapped myself up I proceed.) in avery case, or money will be refunded. Climate is his fetich-he worships it, This guarantee has been printed on the bot-tle-wrapper, and faithfully carried out for of every other object of devotion. It

talk in his sleep?" Mrs. Bascom And indeed when I see reported from "Every night, reg'lar." Mrs. Smith -Isn't it an awful trial?" Mrs. Bascom-"Sakes no! I set up sometimes cases of sunstroke," and in the same com—"Sakes no! I set up sometimes cases of sunstroke, and in the same together in one room, some sleeping on to listen to him. He's a wonderful paper "maximum temperature at Los the floor. Under the bed, if there is one, interestin talker in his sleep-'specially on religious things. -[Burlington Free Press.

Kant retained till his old age a ter when the report comes, "Cincin-preference for pork, of all kinds of nati, 10°, 15° below zero," the pulse and stewad fruit. He devoted reading here will be 60 or 65 or three hours a day to his dinner.

affliction. The relief which is given by Hood's Sarsaparilla has caused thousands to the causes of dyapepsia, and tones up the di-

estate is valued at £115,000.

A Case of Deafness Cured.

that the disease localized powered. We wrone this considered for the character and limbits of the property of t

LOS ANGELES.

Cor. Richmond Ind., Telegram. Los Angeles, July 19th, 1887. If I had been asked to give a characteristic name to this place it would not have been the "City of the Angels." The "City of the Wooden To Toothpicks" would have suggested itself first, for every third person one meets is chewing one. The "City of the Boom" would be appropriate, or of the "Real Estate Transfer," for two-thirds of the toothpick chewers have it in their minds to buy or sell, and whichever it is, to grow sudden-

ly opulent from the transfer. This city, like another City of the Angels lieth four-square. Mindful of the old woman's advice in the "Hoosier School Master," they "got a plenty while they were gittin," and Bloom there in beauty in that valley of light; plenty while they were gittin'," and The loved voices grown silent to earth all the town is six miles long and wide. The plan has its advantages, as every one prefers a town lot to any other investment. Whether or not there is an arrangement by which they are is an arrangement by which they are all corners, I don't know. If such a one can be made, it is certain Los Angeles will make it. Some of the advertisements are funny, though I don't think they are meant to be.

If to this be added the furniture for one or two rooms in a back court or alley, and a Sunday suit for himself and "best dress" for the "old gal," we have, from the standpoint of a costermonger, a picture of a thoroughly well-to-do man, if not of opulence itself.

Reliable statistics as to the present Here is an extract from one: "Where is Rosecrans? Is it miles away in the sage brush and rocks where the horned toad frisks after the papertown man, or is it hid away back in some gully unknown to civilization? Then follows a description of its location, which is set forth as behardly less desirable that of Para-

Another offers a reward for the My world-weary spirit doth patiently wait, conviction of any person who says he 'Till tright angel hands shall the portals has been locating persons upon rocks and hills. As, taking the State together, desert and mountains all included, there is a great preponderance of sage brush and stones, jackrabbits, dust and borned toads, the ing the past week and reported expressly temptation to speculate in them is for the Free Passs by C A. Snow & Co., great, and a corresponding vigilance patent lawyers, opp. U. S. Patent office, on the part of the purchaser neces-

"Your streets are poorly paved, the dust is inches thick, the street tidy, restaurants poor; its all up and H. C. Lynch, Houston, box car door fast- pown hill; just compare this street -the whole place, with Richmond." I remarked mildly but forcibly to one of the angels. "Ab, yes," he replied is his password, his talisman-above Mrs. Smith-"Does your husband all as I have said, his extinguisher. Cincinnati, "July 15th, temperature 96 o to 98 o in the shade and twelve Angeles, 74° minimum 62°," I do not wonder at the prejudice in favor of this "climate." E-pecially when it is remembered that the next win-

above. Ingersoll says something like this: "In a climate where, nine months in The pain and misery suffered by those who are afflicted with dyspepsia are indescribable.

The distress of the body is equalled or surwith but a blanket for covering, and passed by the confusion and tortures of the the remaining three months needs mind, thus making its victims suffer double but a light umbrella or a tent for promind, thus making its victims suffer double but a light umbrella or a tent for protection against rain, the moral and be thankful for this great medicine. It dispels physical decadosce of the race is inevitable.

dred men here whose wives support the opportune; them by keeping lodging houses or not make themselves sociable nor affiliate them by keeping lodging houses or not make themselves sociable nor affiliate them by keeping lodging houses or not make themselves sociable nor affiliate them by keeping lodging houses or not make themselves sociable nor affiliate with other people in any way. Few of their is the far for their 13-year-old girl or a unit far for their youngest boy, how injured they feel! What an indignity it is, and how the insult creeps through all their shuggish blood like swift fire through the particle grasses, when they have to pay Andrew Carnegie, it is said, may ern city. Often they come here inbecome the purchaser of Aboyne Castending honestly enough to find the batter of the coster made him a disagree-tle, Lord Huntley's family place in work. They can't find it usually, able neighbor. He deposited his fish and refuse vegetable matter in the common dust bin of the court, hitched his donkey some portions of the property. The in the world to stand on the street in the back yard and stored his unsold corners and "tell and hear some new stock in his room. In fact the London thing about the "boom" that is now costermanger is the terror of the proin progress. If they have a little is said that he will wreck a new house in Office of Shaw & Buldwin's Wholesale Notion; capital they "speculate." What is a very short time.—Robert P. Porter in is there in speculation to make "brain Inter Ocean. F. J. Cheney & Co., Tolesto, O -Dear Sire. About and brawn?" Nothing. And but for the constant (at present.) influx

a the feet from Gen. Slevin, in reference to the cure
of his son by the nee of Halt's Catarrh Cure, we sere induced in commerces the new of it for our collapse of this section would be see for miladies coming under the conve-dangletor Netlie new fourteen years old, who has within a decide. When that courses ment head of "cholera" is as follows: een suff-ring from catarch for about eight years. —when the hult is called, as it is Extract or logwood, a ounces, processing, during which time also has been treated by one of the best physicians in the sity. We have also used the one of almost all the known remittles for catarrh with to more success than temporary relief. Bany that unflugging energy which is born of raw lineed oil. This makes 10 1-2 pints of ray lineed oil. This makes 10 1-2 pints of raw lineed oil. This makes 10 1-2 pints of ray lineed oil. This makes 10 1-2 pints of pokeroot tea, and the whole will make one the keep her seen strangling. Her hearing had slee tages of "climate" will be the cause dose of one pint each; for thirty-two hogs. hereare affected. We were affected that she would never seener. We have now used all bestlee at hopes which are building upon the largest of the same as copperand is not the same as copperant. The latter is causely cases, in a lev cap- after conneccing the foundation of this charming climate nes of it we matted a denied change for the better, and fertile soil. At least so say the send from that tight along size has improved, soill now size breather as easily as nog size. She sleeps will and her hearing is perfectly good. We feel that the change is emired, we write this the change is entirely removed. We write this

THE COSTERMONGER.

ONE OF THE MOST UNCIVILIZED DENIZENS OF LONDON.

the Street and Barrow Born-The State the Regulator of the Coster's Family-Stowed Away at Night-Inves-

I find the present generation of London costers, as a rule, to the manner, or, per-haps I should say, to the street and barrow born. It is rarely a man thus born, and who has carried a "shallow" (a flat basket, or shoved a barrow from boy-hood, ever gets out of the business. He may rise into a green grocer, a coal shed, a fried fish shop, or even a bacon and butter establishment, by dint of great industry, but this is a dizzy eminence which few costers attain, and of which the majority do not dream. He is indeed fortu-nate if, after a busy life of almost ceaseless toil, he can gaze upon as his own a faithful diminutive ass, a barrow, a few baskets, and such other necessary imple-ments of trade, together with sufficient ready cash to make his daily purchases. If to this be added the furniture for one

number of London costermongers are un-obtainable, but I am satisfied that an estimate of 50,000 adults is below rather than above the mark. The coster has long enjoyed the luxury of working his entire family, including his wife. Home life has no charms for him. His home is on the streets and his recreation ground the corner gin shop. Up long before sun-rise in the morning, he pushes his quaint little barrow or spurs his stubborn donkey on to market, and is ready to pick up bar

is the regulator of the coster's family. Now and again it steps in and compels him to take charge of his offspring, it intervenes in his gentle pastime of jumping on the "old woman," and it captures the

in blows, what are the closing scenes?

The whole family tucked away in some vile cellar or room in what is known as "Coster's district." The barrow, covered

"Coster's district." The barrow, covered

I was in despair and considering whethwith a sack or two, acts as a bed for some of the smaller members of the familythe father and mother, and probably a daughter and son of 14 or 15, all huddled and "all large and alive O!" "new sprats Op which the denizens of London are to relish next day.

If I may judge, after reading the voluminous testimony before the royal com-mission on housing the poor, the one thing that commission did not solve was what becomes of the coster's donkey at night. The combined interrogations of the Prince of Wales, Lord Salisbury, and Sir Charles his surplus stock, though one cruel witness deposed that water cress was generally kept under the bed, sprinkled with a vitable."

Taking Los Angeles simply as an fresh gathered water cress. The school

> Fermula for Hog Cholera. sulphate of iron and called also vitriol. A good authority says of this mixture: "As a preventive of disease, by the destruction of disease germs and inwell suited to inspire confidence in its ef-

ALLIGATOR HUNTING.

SHOOTING A FEMALE NURSING A NEST OF YOUNG ONES.

Lively Bit of Experience Down in Florida-Rapid Retreat from a Wounded Mother Alligator-A Shot Just in

Have you ever enjoyed an alligator hunt? If you have not my experience may be interesting. Before starting out I was told that alligator hunting was an exciting sport. I found it particularly so. The other day we chartered a steam launch for the trip. Our party consisted of five, who had never seen an alligator in his native home, and the captain of the launch, who was an old sportsman in alligator hunting. We were armed with good rifles, and had a full supply of ammunition. Our destination was Lake Cypress and Cypress river, where reports said the alligators were plentiful. The trip across the lake was very fine, and in the course of an hour we arrived at the mouth of Distan canal, which connects mouth of Distan canal, which connects the Cypress lake with Cypress river, and is about ten miles long. It is cut through a country of rich tropical growth. In an hour and a half we reached a smaller lake, and on the opposite side was the wished for Cypress river. Our trolling line had resulted in a fine mess of fish. Finding a good camping ground we landed, built a fire and began cooling the catch, which, with our other stores, fur-nished an excellent meal.

nished an excellent meal.

We then pushed our way up the river, and were soon among the alligators. The first we saw was a good sized creature over eight feet long, and I am not likely to forget it for some time. The animal lay apparently asleep on the bank among the tall grass and palmetto bushes. The captain raised his rifle and blazed away. His aim was good and the ball struck the His aim was good and the ball struck the right eye. Instead of making for the on to market, and is ready to pick up bargains in fish, vegetables, fruits, nuts or anything else that can be sold again.

And then the object is to sell. In this work he presses into service his wife or female companion, for the majority of costers waive the marriage ceremony, and all the children that the school board inspectors don't snatch from him. The average coster's idea of his duty toward his family is to provide for them on the lowest scale compatible with keeping inquiry at a distance, and work them on the highest. The state, to a large extent, is the regulator of the coster's family.

self up. A RUN FOR DEAR LIFE. At that moment the captain shouted to run for dear life, as we had "hit a hornets" nest." The alligator was a female and on the "old woman," and it captures the budding costers, male or female, claps them, ragged, dirty, uncivilized, into a board school, and turns them out "beautiful little scholards." But the state is "arsh and harbitrary," he growls, "and costers 'ave no rights in these days of board schools, street improvements, model tenement 'ouses, and the like."

Pardon the digression. It is not often Pardon the digression. It is not often retreat was cut off. I was not long in digression that the stock is closed out, even by the covering that I was on a small falance. Pierce's Favorite Proscription, read it again, for they discover in it something to prize—we have climate!" That is the one after dark. There is no evening meal, no word with which every Californian cheerful fire awaiting the nomad of Lonvision. I was fairly cornered, and at last it, even by the covering that I was on a small is after dark. There is no evening mean, to cheerful fire awaiting the nomad of London's thousand miles of streets. He and don's thousand miles of streets. He and took to the water, forgetting in my fright that an alligator is as formidable in the worth of fried fish, hot from the fish shop at the top of the court, and washed it down with a pint of "three penny" at the neighboring pub. The children have lapped up their meals in the same manner, like Gideon's hosts, as they marched along. And if the night does not end in gin drinking, fuddled heads, and perhaps in blows, what are the closing scenes?

I was in despair and considering whether to swim to the boat or club my rifle and fight, when I heard a cifle crack, followed quickly by another, and the alligator was a corpse. The party then lauded, built a a fire, and I dried my clothes while the others ate their dinner. Somehow I did not have much appetite left. We re-embarked and started for more alligators. I did not leave the boat after that, but with the rest did some fair shooting. We killed nine, piled all the carcasses in the row boats behind the launch, and took them down the river to our first camping ground. There, with an axe, we cut off all the heads and buried them. They will all the heads and buried them. They will be left in that place until the teeth, which are valuable, rot out, when they can be secured. The captain took off all the hides, with which we presented him for the use of the launch.—Kissimee Cor. New York Mail and Express,

Beating a Railroad Corporation. How strange it is that to the average man there is such keen enjoyment in beat-ing a railroad corporation out of a few cents! A man, or a woman, either, will gestive organs. Try Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Gen. Thomas A. Harris, who was for many years editor of the New Orleans Times, thinks of starting a College of them by keeping lodging houses or the properties and the body house of the body houses or the coster preferred the old haunts, and would not go to a respectable tenement house if the opportunity was afforded. They can be the opportunity was afforded. They can be the properties and money for all sorted that the for candles, superfluors millinery, necktons and would not go to a respectable tenement house if the opportunity was afforded. They can be the properties of the properties and money for all sorted that the for candles, superfluors millinery, necktons and would not go to a respectable tenement house if the opportunity was afforded. They can be the properties of the properties of the properties of the properties of the prop prairie grasses, when they have to pay their fare after having been blessed with a free pass for years, or give a reason why they have not supplied themselves, after

they have not supplied themselves, after many days, with a monthly ticket.

Absolutely, I have witnessed more niggardliness and petty meanness and absolute dishonesty among so called reputable people in the matter of railroad tickets than I like to think of. I have seen elegantly dressed anothers bicker over the question of a chinks age, dreading to spend the few necessary cents for a ticket, which same amount they would willingly expend in unhealthy indulgence of the child's appetite. I have heard parents child's appetite. I have heart parents tell their children to "sit down low and make themselves as small as possible" just to deceive the conductor and beat a fare out of the rost.—Amber in Chicago

"I see," he observed to his foung friend from the east, "that it is now the proper thing to carry around a cork in your ve pocket and place it in your ear when you

"Awzactly, but I shall never, never try it again. It was a cork that sent me into this general decline." "How do you mean?"
"Why, fathah was talking to me and I corked my car, and he drove the cork into my brain with a slap of his hand-ah.

Mms. Nilsoon loves her husband; he being a business woman, retains at

We've probed, but it's no tue."-Detroit